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HOUSE RESOLUTION 351
By Brown

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Edward Means Baylor IV
for exemplary service as a legislative intern.

WHEREAS, each legislative session this body is pleased to recognize certain persons who have committed themselves, through their adroit service, to the betterment of the legislative process; and

WHEREAS, Edward Means Baylor IV is one such individual who has distinguished himself in his role as a legislative intern for Representative Tommie F. Brown, Vice-Chair of the House Education Committee and Chair of the K-12 Subcommittee; his work has resulted in innumerable benefits for the legislator he assisted and the General Assembly as a whole; and

WHEREAS, a student at Tennessee State University in Nashville, where he is highly regarded by his peers, he has achieved academic success while majoring in Criminal Justice and participating in numerous extracurricular activities; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Baylor is a highly regarded graduate of Jackson Central Merry High School, where he was an Honor Student from 1995 to 1998; and

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WHEREAS, an accomplished leader among his peers at Tennessee State University, Edward Means Baylor IV has served as the organizer of “United We Stand, Where Do We Stand?” a panel discussion on terrorism, Vice President of the Sociology Club and President of Watson Hall from 1998 to 1999; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Baylor’s persistence, hard work, and outstanding intellect have earned him membership in the George W. Gore Honors Society for outstanding scholarship and academic excellence in 2001; and

WHEREAS, a conscientious member of his community, he has generously volunteered for numerous community programs and service organizations; he served as a tutor for preschool age children at the Richland Center in 2001, participated in weekly crime marches from 1995 to 1998, volunteered with Families in Action from 1995 to 1997, and traveled with a presidential candidate team in 1998-1999; and

WHEREAS, Edward Means Baylor IV served with acumen and alacrity as a Salesperson and Telemarketer for the J.C. Penny Catalog Center in Nashville from 2000-2001, a Personnel Assistant and Farm Hand at the Clementine Baylor Farm from 1998 to 2001, and a Salesperson for Looking Good Clothing for Men from 1997 to 2001; and

WHEREAS, after graduating from college, Mr. Baylor plans to pursue a law degree with an emphasis in criminal defense or entertainment law; his display of intellectual aptitude, ambition, and leadership as a student at Tennessee State University surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, eager to familiarized himself with the characteristics and complexity of Tennessee state government and to further his studies, Mr. Baylor brought his many abilities and singular expertise to Capitol Hill for the 2002 session of the One Hundred Second General Assembly; and

WHEREAS, he astutely performed research and bill analysis for House Bill 2629, which would revise eligibility schedules for persons convicted of certain crimes; he testified before the

State Government Subcommittee on House Bill 2629, and his ability to answer questions posed by the members of the subcommittee demonstrated his extensive documentation and knowledge on the subject; and

WHEREAS, throughout the 2002 legislative session, Edward Means Baylor IV has surpassed all criteria that define a devoted and conscientious legislative intern; and

WHEREAS, he has performed his many duties with extraordinary insight and rare decorum; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, That we hereby commend Edward Means Baylor IV for outstanding service as a legislative intern for Representative Tommie F. Brown, and extend to him our best wishes for every future success and happiness.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.